

DISSOLUTION Of Partnership.

Notice is hereby given that the partnership heretofore subsisting between the undersigned at Book and Job Printers, and Publishers of the Acton FREE PRESS is this day dissolved by mutual consent.

The business will in the future be carried on by H. P. Moore, who will discharge all debts and collect all accounts contracted by the late firm.

Dated at Acton, on the 30th day of June, 1879.

Signed, H. P. MOORE,
Wm. Paul H. Scott.

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TO OUR PATRONS.

We wish to call the special attention of our patrons to the fact that the fourth year of the publication of the Free Press has expired, and as the subscription paid is one dollar per annum, payable in advance, our subscribers are kindly requested to pay their subscription at once and save the extra amount charged on subscriptions not paid when they come due. We always render our accounts for advertising and job work at the end of each quarter, and are busily engaged making out accounts, those indebted to us will please be prepared to settle them when presented.

Those having accounts against us will oblige by handing them in as soon as convenient.

DESTRUCTION OF ORNAMENT. ALL SHADE TREES.

Again we are called upon to chronicle the destruction of trees used to beautify and make attractive our village. This being the second or third time during the past few weeks, we feel it our duty to invite the attention of our Village authorities to the fact that those who have a desire to make beautiful our streets, deserve protection in this matter. Whether the trees destroyed was the work of some knavish good-for-nothing rascal or by the cows allowed in By-Law No. 12, to run at large from the first of April to the first of November, it is difficult to say. However, in the first place we feel that our Village should be protected from the vagrants who are constantly lounging around the streets during the day and committing depredations by night. If we had a lockup no doubt we would have fewer visits from the above class of individuals, and those who did come would be in safe keeping during the night. On the other hand, our citizens should be protected from the animals which run at large from April to November, by a By-law prohibiting the same. At different times cows have been seen to damage trees on Bower and other streets, and were their owners compelled to keep them in pastures this would not be the case. Our readers can perhaps imagine how annoying it is to a person on going out in the morning, to find the trees that he has taken every precaution to protect for two or three years, ruthlessly destroyed. We consider it high time the council would take action in the matter.

Novel Reading.

We must caution the present generation, especially the young women, but not them alone, on the dangers of excessive and habitual novel reading. Bad stories, those that breathe a bad spirit, or those which present fascinating pictures of vice and sin, thus hold the fancy more strong than the moralizing that tries at the end to nullify the evil influences, should make a very moderate portion of our reading. The ready tendency is to read mainly for excitement, and the novel is the prevailing type of those of our young people who are not given to drink drinking. The quality that makes this type is most sought by the rank and file of novel writers and readers, and its delight is in the monstrous, more than the beautiful, and its essence is not sense, but sensation.

See and shun its ban before it is too late and the incubation is setted in, the mischief centre into the whole of life, and robs the reason of its light and the conscience of its right. It debauches private life by putting sentiment in the place of principle, and substitutes impure for fidelity. It takes away the foundation of personal and household happiness, and gives fancies and air castles in return for fair promises and fond hopes.

PAINTS,

THE TORONTO INDUSTRIAL EXHIBITION.

We are glad to note that the contemplated Industrial Exhibition that is to take place in Toronto in September next. We have no doubt from the broad and liberal platform on which the management is based, that it will be eminently successful. The various interests that have a voice in its management will largely tend to secure this desired end. Besides, the central position of Toronto, being so easy of access, both by rail and water, will command a much larger attendance than could possibly be secured in any other city in the Dominion. This is most desirable when thousands will flock to that city for the special purpose of seeing Lord Lorne and his royal wife. We may here also state that the splendid buildings which were erected for the Provincial Exhibition are such, with some few desirable changes that will be made, as to afford the public plenty of room to witness the exhibition with more than ordinary comfort. This will be at once apparent when we consider that the exhibition will be kept open sufficiently long to enable all to witness it at their convenience and engagements may yet permit. We wish the undertaking the largest measure of success, as Toronto is decidedly the place for such a display.

How to Swim.

The editor of the London Truth, after observing that probably not one in twenty of the persons who indulge in boating on a holiday can swim, proceeds to tell his readers how to acquire this accomplishment. "Nothing," he says, "is more easy. When the air is out of a body, its owner sinks; when the air is in the body, its owner floats. Let any one slowly draw in his breath as he draws back his legs and pushes forward his arms, retain it while he is preparing for the stroke, which is to propel him; and slowly allow it to go through his lips as his arms are passed back again before his head to his sides, and his legs are stretched out. The action of the stroke should not be quite horizontal, but should be made on a slight incline downward. The real reason why people take weeks to learn how to swim is because swimming professors either do not know or do not choose to teach, the philosophy of breathing; so as to render the body buoyant. I would engage to make any one a tolerable swimmer, in an hour, unless he be a congenital idiot."

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OILS,

Albert Collier, a man who stole a valuable diamond from the printer, was sentenced to five years imprisonment for a different set of crimes.

A lightning bolt went through a brick and ducked under a tub bath to sober himself, but he forgot to take his head out of the water, and he was drowned.

The Government have apportioned fifteen practical farmers at \$750 a year, to go to the Northwest and instruct the Indians of the Saskatchewan Valley in the art of agriculture.

Sals was struck at Dylth. Wednes-

day 2nd inst., at a depth of 1,195 feet

in the test well which is being sunk there.

The drill has penetrated the solid salt rock seven feet, and there is

every indication of a great depth of salt rock.

The prospects of a cessation of the famine in Oshimere, Asia, are gradually improving. The spring crops look slightly better, the area of autumn sowing exceeds the expectations, and the importation of grain is proceeding satisfactorily.

An Indian has been arrested at Fort Saskatchewan, near Edmonton, Alberta, for murdering and eating his wife and four children. The Mounted Police found the bones and skulls which had been boiled hollowed out of the skull, and the brain extracted.

Mr. Walter Hendricks of Trenton, Ont., was horribly mangled by a mowing machine on Friday morning, expiring shortly afterwards. Although the young man was at work in a field about two miles from the railway track, his horses were frightened by the screech of a locomotive and became unmanageable, with the fatal result.

A Quebec despatch says:—The prospects of a bountiful harvest in this district are now more promising than at present. Notwithstanding the general backwardness of the season, the growing crops of all kinds look excellent, and should the weather prove favorable for harvesting, a large crop will be gathered in. The hay crop will be the heaviest ever cut here.

Fifty men were killed by a colliery explosion in High Blantyre pit, near Glasgow, at six o'clock Thursday morning, 3rd inst.

A later telegram from Glasgow says, there were only thirty-one persons in the High Blantyre colliery pit at the time of the explosion. Four of the victims were burned alive. Twenty-one corps have been recovered.

DISTRIBUTORS IN MANITOBA.—Mr. W. Wild, editor of the Farmer's Almanac, telegraphs from Emerson, Manitoba, giving a discouraging account of affairs in that region. He says: "Government should aid the Canadian to return, and stop paper migration." It is quite clear that too many are going to Manitoba this year. The country cannot be made in a day. It will take time to develop it and give employment to the hundreds who are flocking into the Province.

A Detroit banker, Mr. Moran, gives the Free Press of that city this strange story, disfiguring no name: Nine years ago a Cincinnati manufacturer died, leaving an estate valued at \$100,000. His widow and children were wounded in the administration of the estate, and the widow moved to Detroit, in which city she has recently been reduced to abject poverty. A few days ago her son ransacking among some papers that had been stowed away in the garret, found a bundle of railroad bonds worth \$50,000. The widow does not know or care who the boy is. He is paid \$150 for his keep, drafts being sent him from New York every six months. The drafts are signed "Edward Pearson" and are payable at the Molson's Bank, Montreal. Ross and parties from Philadelphia are expected here to investigate.

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